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## HISTORY OF CEDARVILLE COLLEGE

Time moves so fast that there are people, even in Cedarville, who have forgotten the difference between an Old Side Covenanter and a New Side Covenanter. The former denomination is officially known as the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Synod; and does not believe in voting under the United States Constitution as at present worded.

They sing Psalms only, and do not allow instrumental music. Their college, Geneva College, is located at Beaver Falls, Pa., and their seminary at Pittsburg, Pa. The Cedarville congregation of that denomination was dissolved some years ago, and their church building, west of the paper mill, was converted into a dwelling house.

The New Side Covenanters are officially known as the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, and until 1926 were represented in Cedarville by the church now known as the First Presbyterian Church. Cedarville College was founded by this denomination, being chartered in 1887 and opened for instruction in 1894. The first president, Rev. David McKinney, served until 1915, when he resigned and was succeeded by Dr. W. R. McChesney, who still holds that position.

In 1928, the General Synod gave over its jurisdiction and property rights in the college to the Board of Trustees. Under the by-laws, a majority of the trustees must be Presbyterians.

The college authorities, both trustees and faculty, have always maintained a high Christian standard, and are determined to maintain it for the future. Every effort and policy is directed toward making it easy for the student to do the right and Christian thing, and difficult to do the wrong thing. Bible Study, Christian Ethics, and Apologetics are required studies. Chapel attendance is required. The Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary, affiliated with the college and taught in the same building, affords every facility to the student to continue in advanced religious work, and prepare himself completely for the Christian ministry, or for lay religious work which is constantly requiring a more highly trained type of worker. Only thus can our country be saved from the wave of materialism and irreligion which is threatening to engulf it.

## ATTENTION ALUMNI!

February 6th is the Annual Home Coming Banquet and Game. Keep the date in mind and begin making plans to attend.

## CEDRUS STAFF PLAY

The Cedrus Staff will present a three act comedy "Speeding Along" by Katherine Kavanagh on Tuesday evening, December 8, in the Cedarville Opera House. The Staff will appreciate the patronage of Alumni and friends.

## DR. FREDERICK N. McMILLIN



DR. F. N. McMILLIN

Dr. Frederick N. McMillin, President of the Board of Trustees of Cedarville College, has been the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio, for twenty-six years. For more than eighteen years he has been a chaplain in the American Army, having served seven months overseas with the American Expeditionary Forces and is now chaplain of the 147th Infantry U. S. National Guard with the rank of Major.

He is a trustee of the Deaconess Hospital, Cincinnati, and has a wide acquaintance through the United States because of having broadcast his sermons over the radio from WLW and other stations. He is chaplain of the Cincinnati Lions Club and does a great deal of pastoral work, having performed as many as five marriage services in one day and having several times conducted three funeral services in one afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. McMillin have two sons, the older being secretary of the Wisconsin State League of Municipalities, Madison, Wisconsin, having a membership of 330 cities and towns and is editor of the magazine "The Municipality." The younger son has a responsible position with the rural electrification division of the Federal Power Commission in Washington.

## OUR STUDENTS

Cedarville College welcomes young men and women, who come to study and prepare for places of service and responsibility. Our students, for the most part come from the great middle class of people. During the operation of the college nearly every state of the United States and four foreign countries have been represented in our student body. They are democratic in disposition and attitude. They stand for the permanent principles of life, which build true character and develop real capacity.



## LET US COUNT ON YOU

Cedarville College is a Christian institution for higher education. The purpose of its founders was to train young men and young women in the principles of Christian living. For over forty years it has adhered strictly to that purpose. Today it is carrying on to that end. The avowed idea is that together with secular education, there must be an instilling of the teachings of the Master.

For over forty years able men and women, consecrated to Christian training and prepared in every way to teach their subjects, have given their services to the work. During these forty years young men and women, in many instances from comfortable homes and others from even wealthy homes, have attended and graduated from Cedarville College. In all these cases they have had advantages of the opportunities afforded by the college at a lower expense than they could have found in other colleges. Many of these graduates have risen to places of influence and power. We rejoice in their success and splendid service.

For over forty years Cedarville College has kept down expenses to the student so that the student most limited in financial means might have an opportunity to secure college training. The college has given scholarships to worthy students to enable them to remain in college and complete their courses.

Now comes the day when the college needs the help of all whom it has helped.

The Board of Trustees has planned to bring the current fund and the permanent endowment fund up to the needs of the college and to what is required of it. We are asking you, reader, friend, alumnus, to respond now generously to the call. We are wholly depending upon our friends in this community and everywhere else to come to our help. Let us count on you.

W. R. McCHESNEY.

## OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Cedarville College has always had an enterprising and loyal Board of Trustees.

Among them the following vocations are represented, business, medicine, agriculture, construction, and the ministry of the gospel. They are informed as to all the calls and needs of mankind. They have a vision for youth and the enlargement of Cedarville College.

The supreme purpose of Cedarville College is to furnish the best possible education at the least possible cost. We aim to make the cost within the reach of every deserving youth, no difference how limited his or her means. Hundreds of young men and women have received a training in Cedarville and are now filling acceptedly fields of usefulness. Most of these young people could not have afforded to go through college if Cedarville College had not made it possible by keeping down the cost. To this end the Board of Trustees is committed and will put forth every laudable effort to make a good college training available to all deserving youth.

## MUSICAL TREAT

On Monday, November 23, the Hampton Institute Sextette will present a program in the college chapel at 11 A. M. We are very glad for the opportunity to hear this group of singers from the southern Negro college.

## MUSIC DEPARTMENT

The fall program of the music department is developing with increasing interest as many students are already enrolled and working earnestly on programs to be given in concert and over radio for the pleasure of Cedarville's many friends during the year.

The Men's Quartet of outstanding reputation of last year prepared two programs, one sacred, and one secular, which are available to be given in our neighboring community centers or churches. Either one of these programs will be an hour in length, and consist of very good music, mostly choral works, with some solo work. Later in the year the Mixed Chorus will give a sacred oratorio, and a light opera on the campus.

The Men's Quartet of outstanding reputation of last year is here intact again this year, and is already giving short programs of interesting music in nearby engagements.

A second men's quartet has been organized which also has programs prepared for entertainment.

These two men's quartets combined, as a men's double quartet has prepared a sacred program of religious devotional numbers which they can give at church meetings.

The Girls' Glee Club of 18 members in their new uniforms of college colors are a picturesque group giving fanciful, lighter numbers for entertainment. These girls have had experience in singing together and make a delightful showing for the college. One could not see a peppier group in any college.

The private work of the music department has enlarged, and the possibility for good, thorough musical training is offered every student. Preparation for advanced work in the large schools of music is given.

All students of the normal teacher training school come to the music department for their public school music training. In these classes an interest has been manifested in a more thorough appreciation of music in general, and stress is placed on sight reading and the value of music in the public schools.

The music studio in the library building has been redecorated and refinished and affords a pleasant setting for the private work in music.

A grand piano will soon be added to the department's equipment which will be placed in the chapel and will afford opportunity for frequent music recitals open to the public.

## BASKET BALL SCHEDULE

December 4—Springfield Y. M. C. A.—Here.

December 12—Otterbein—There.

December 15—Bluffton—Here.

January 14—Defiance—There.

January 22—Springfield Y. M. C. A.—There.

January 26—Rio Grande—There.

January 30—Open.

February 2—Wilmington—There.

February 6—Rio Grande—Here.

February 11—Defiance—Here.

February 16—Wilmington—Here.

February 20—Bluffton—There.



## OUR FIRST CLASS

In June 1897, the first class of graduates in Cedarville College received their degrees.

Only five were in the class. They were all men.

Two of them, Rev. Raymond Porter Gorbold and Superintendent Calvin Crawford Morton have entered their eternal reward. Dr. Gorbold served as a missionary under the care of the Y. M. C. A. and the Presbyterian Church in Japan. He labored faithfully and was beloved by all who knew him and was considered one of the greatest missionaries of his day and place.

Supt. C. C. Morton taught school and was elevated to the superintendency of Cedarville Public Schools. He was genial and highly esteemed.

Rev. J. Alvin Orr, D.D., Rev. Homer MacMillan, D.D., and Rev. John Bickett, D.D., the remaining members of the class, labor in important fields.

Dr. Orr continued his training in the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary, Philadelphia, Pa., Pittsburgh Theological Seminary of the United Presbyterian Church and the University of Pennsylvania. He graduated from Pittsburgh Seminary with the degree of B. D., and from the University of Pennsylvania with the degree of A.M. He was called to one of the large United Presbyterian congregations of Philadelphia, which he served most acceptably for several years. From that congregation, he was called to his present charge, which under his ministry has grown into a flourishing institutional church, and is one of the largest congregations in the denomination.

Dr. Orr served as chairman of the Forward Movement of his church and has served also as the moderator of his assembly. For several years he was the capable and efficient president of the Board of Trustees of Cedarville College. He has proved himself a helpful and generous friend to his Alma Mater.

Dr. Homer MacMillan took his theological training in Union and New Brunswick Seminaries. He graduated from the latter seminary in 1900 with the degree of B. D. Dr. MacMillan served the Reformed Church as a pastor. He was also pastor in the Presbyterian Church U. S. He was called from the pastorate to be co-secretary of the Home Mission Board of his denomination and in later years has been made secretary of the Board. He is very busy and devoted in all of his work and widely known and highly esteemed.

Dr. John Bickett graduated from Xenia Theological Seminary in 1900. He earned in course the degree of A.M. from Muskingum College in 1912. He has served efficiently several pastorates and is now pastor of the United Presbyterian Church at Newton, Iowa. His daughter is the capable director of the Department of Music in Cedarville College.

Dr. W. Russell Bowie has pointed out that "there is no such thing as impersonal beauty, truth and goodness. All that we have ever known of these has been their focusing in some shining human soul."

"If we close our universities to all but the sons and daughters of preferred classes or if we attempt to convert to a preferred class all who come here, democracy, as we know it will pass. In its place will rise a pattern of aristocracy."—Dr. Shank.

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The department of education of Cedarville College presents some of the progressive trends of the fundamental matters of education which are commonly accepted by our educational leaders. Procedures which make these trends concrete are reported and discussed with reference to their fundamental bearings. The hearty cooperation of the Cedarville, Xenia, and Ross Township Schools make possible the definite reports and discussions concerning the specific procedures which give concrete illustrations of the present trends of educational practice.

The present enrollment in the two-year normal department is 65. This is the largest in the history of the college. In fact, the point has been reached that plans are developing to provide for the increasing enrollment in this department in the way of additional facilities for instruction, library, practice teaching, etc. In some subjects two sections of classes have already been formed. To do this in all courses will require additional facilities.

Undoubtedly the time is near to change the two-year to a four-year curriculum. This is in harmony with the present tendency and will no doubt be the requirement in Ohio before many years. More differentiation between primary and middle grade preparation could then be made.

Of those enrolled in the arts college 48 are preparing for high school teaching. Thus almost ninety per cent of the entire enrollment are looking toward teaching for their life work. Cedarville College is verily an institution for training teachers.

### ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR

Erma Leonard Zerkle received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Wittenberg College in 1932. She has certificates which permit her to teach in both elementary and secondary grades.

Since graduation she has taught English and French at Morrow, Ohio and fifth and sixth grades at Brookville, Ohio.

In 1933 she returned to Wittenberg College for an additional semester's work.

She is now assistant supervisor of teacher training for Cedarville College, and will be in charge of the students who receive their practice teaching in the Ross Township and the Xenia City public schools. This additional service is made necessary by the increased enrollment in the two-year normal department. So many are asking for practice teaching that the local public schools cannot provide for all of them. The work in the Ross Schools is being done during the first semester, and in the Xenia schools during the second semester.

## WHEN HE STARTED HIS COLLEGE WORK

President Garfield was a student at Hiram College, Ohio. He worked his way through college doing janitor work. After graduate work at Brown, he returned to Hiram College as a teacher—and finally was president of the institution. It was from here that he entered public life, first in Congress from his district, later Senator and President.

The Doctor Speaks: Alcoholic beverages in all forms and strengths should be avoided by those who have not attained full maturity of body and a stable nervous system.

Dr. Haven Emerson.



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Mrs. Lenora Skinnell McMillan, Cedarville, Ohio.

**MEN'S BIBLE READING CONTEST**

The Annual Men's Bible Reading Contest was held in the Methodist Episcopal Church on Sabbath evening, November 1. Dr. C. M. Ritchie, an honorary alumnus of Cedarville College provides the material awards for this contest each year. Dean C. W. Steele, professor of Bible, arranges the details of the contest, and, assisted by Miss Basore, helps the students prepare their selections.

The prizes were awarded as follows: 1st place, Kenneth Sanderson; 2nd place, Justin Hartman; 3rd place, Robert Thompson; 4th place, Roy Linton; 5th place, a tie between Albert Grube and John Petersen.

The Mixed Chorus under the direction of Miss Mildred Bickett furnished music for the occasion.

**HALLOWE'EN PARTY**

The Y. W. C. A. girls were responsible for the Hallowe'en Party held in the gymnasium on Wednesday evening, October 28. Many grotesque, and gruesome as well as some altogether lovely costumes were in evidence.

After the grand march, Mrs. Ault acted as spokesman for the judges and awarded the first prize to James Anderson, Dorothy Anderson and Mary Johnston who were disguised as Satan and his imps. Honorable mention was given to Joe Waddle, Gale Ross, Gene Reed, Betty Tobias, and Robinette Williams, and Miss Basore and Eurydice Collins.

The traditional pumpkin pie and cider were served at the close of the evening.

**Y. W. C. A. COMMITTAL SERVICE**

The annual Committal Service of the Y. W. C. A., was held on Thursday evening, November 19, in the First Presbyterian Church. This is the Thanksgiving candle light service which was written by Miss Frances McChesney, daughter of President and Mrs. W. R. McChesney.

**CHAPEL SPEAKERS**

Dr. George Brewer, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Piqua, Ohio, spoke in the college chapel on October 16.

Dr. Brewer presented in his usual forceful and pleasing manner the pre-eminence of Christ. Dr. Brewer is always a welcome visitor and speaker in Cedarville College.

Chaplain LaCledde Markle, '25, was the speaker at a joint meeting of the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A., on Armistice Day.

Chaplain Markle brought reminiscences of the original Armistice Day, when he was serving with the A. E. F. in France. Chaplain Markle impressed us with the urgent necessity of the eternal vigilance of the United States.

Dr. W. O. Trueblood, pastor of the Friends Church of Whittier, California, addressed the college students on November 13.

The students were wonderfully impressed with Dr. Trueblood's message. His story of the lion cubs will be long remembered. We sincerely appreciated the opportunity of hearing Dr. Trueblood in our chapel.

**OUR FACULTY**

Cedarville College presents its faculty. They have either graduated from or attended the following colleges: Franklin, Muskingum, Wooster, Wittenberg, Indiana State Normal, Indiana Teachers, Bowling Green, Grove City, and Cedarville; and the following universities: Ohio State, Ohio Northern, Northwestern, Purdue, Butler, Edinburgh, Oxford, The Conservatoire of France.

They are experienced and well trained teachers. All are Christian men and women with the ideals of the Master Teacher. They are devoted to the training of their students for a real service worth while to humanity.

**WHEN YOU MAKE YOUR WILL**

Cedarville College has been largely aided by its friends leaving personal property or real estate or both in their wills to the college.

"I do give, devise and bequeath to the Board of Trustees of Cedarville College the sum of -----

-----dollars, (or----- shares of stock in the

-----, or bonds, as the case may be, setting forth particularly what it is that is bequeathed)."

For Real Estate:

"I do give, devise and bequeath to the Board of Trustees of Cedarville College and its successors, forever, all that lot or piece of land (describing the property with care)." Special care should be taken that bequests be made according to the laws of the state governing them.

**INFORMATION**

For information concerning curricula, expenses, etc., write for catalog. Address, W. R. McChesney, President, of Cedarville College, Cedarville, Ohio.